

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 77

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to recognize Candy Toler on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Candy Toler is one such estimable person, who has served with distinction for sixteen years as executive director of the American Council of Engineering Companies of Tennessee and will be taking a much-deserved retirement on April 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Concord University in Athens, West Virginia, Ms. Toler was listed in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* and named to the Cardinal Key National Honor Sorority; and

WHEREAS, a Tennessee State employee for a number of years, Candy Toler served as an administrative assistant to the Republican leader of the Tennessee House of Representatives from 1971 to 1979 and was employed by the Tennessee department of revenue from 1979 to 1987, rising from an administrative assistant for the commissioner of revenue to director of the petroleum tax division before being named assistant commissioner of the department of revenue in 1985; and

WHEREAS, after leaving State government, Candy Toler served as the assistant coordinator of volunteer services at Vanderbilt University Medical Center from 1987 to 1993, and returned to State employment in 1995 as the executive director of the State board of architectural and engineering examiners until 1999, when she accepted her present position; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Toler is an active and important part of her community and her profession, participating in numerous worthy organizations, including the Tennessee Society of

Association Executives from 1999 until the present, which she served as awards committee chair and as a member of the board; the Volunteer Administrators network from 1987 to 1995; Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation review panel from 1977 to 1986; Tennessee Government Executive Institute in 1986; and State Employees' Charity Fund, which she chaired in 1985 and 1986; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Toler was named Association Executive of the Year in 2011 and listed among the Outstanding Young Women of America in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Toler has also contributed her time and numerous talents as a volunteer at the Parthenon and with the United Way of Middle Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Candy Toler exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Ms. Toler has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Candy Toler our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.